

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**DINING PREFERENCES STORAGE MECHANISM**

A storage device for dining preferences. The storage device includes a card, a memory, and a communications interface. The memory is located within the card. The memory stores a plurality of dining preferences for at least one restaurant. The dining preferences are portable from location to location and are capable of repetitious use. The communications interface allows for the dining preferences to be read from the memory by a data processing system at a restaurant for use in generating a food order.